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SENATOR HILGERT: So you're not talking about Louisiana or Texas or Alaska or the California coastal regions or anywhere else that the United States has oil fields?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: I couldn't truthfully answer that.

SENATOR HILGERT: Do we...

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: All the figure said was it came to \$5 a gallon.

SENATOR HILGERT: Where else do we have oil fields?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Well, most of our oil is imported from the Middle East.

SENATOR HILGERT: Well, we don't own oil fields in the Middle East, do we?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: No.

SENATOR HILGERT: Okay, so they're not our oil fields, are they not? They're the kingdom of Saudi Arabia's, they're Kuwait, they're other countries that own these oil fields. They're not our oil fields, are they?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Correct, no.

SENATOR HILGERT: We have 37,000 troops in South Korea. Do we have oil fields or does someone have oil fields in South Korea which is the basis of our deployment in South Korea?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Not to my knowledge.

SENATOR HILGERT: In Macedonia, in Kosovo, we have troops deployed there as well. Do they have oil fields in Kosovo or Macedonia?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Not to my knowledge.

SENATOR HILGERT: In central Europe we have a large presence.